GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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Leakage at Nuclear Plant
Biju Shri Parayamparanbil Kuttappan

Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a)whether it is a fact that work in Kudankulam nuclear plant had to be stopped due to some leakage and if so, the details thereof; and

(b)whether any nationwide safety and security audit of nuclear plants has been conducted after this incident and if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (Dr. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a)No, Sir. The first unit of Kudankulam (KKNPP-1) was under maintenance shutdown and scheduled for start up recently, when a performance shortfall was noticed in one of the components in the conventional (non radioactive) systems. The unit was thus brought down to cold shutdown state for maintenance of the component.

(b)Does not arise. However, periodic safety reviews and audits are carried out by the utility and the regulatory authority (Atomic Energy Regulatory Board) in all Indian Nuclear Power Plants.

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